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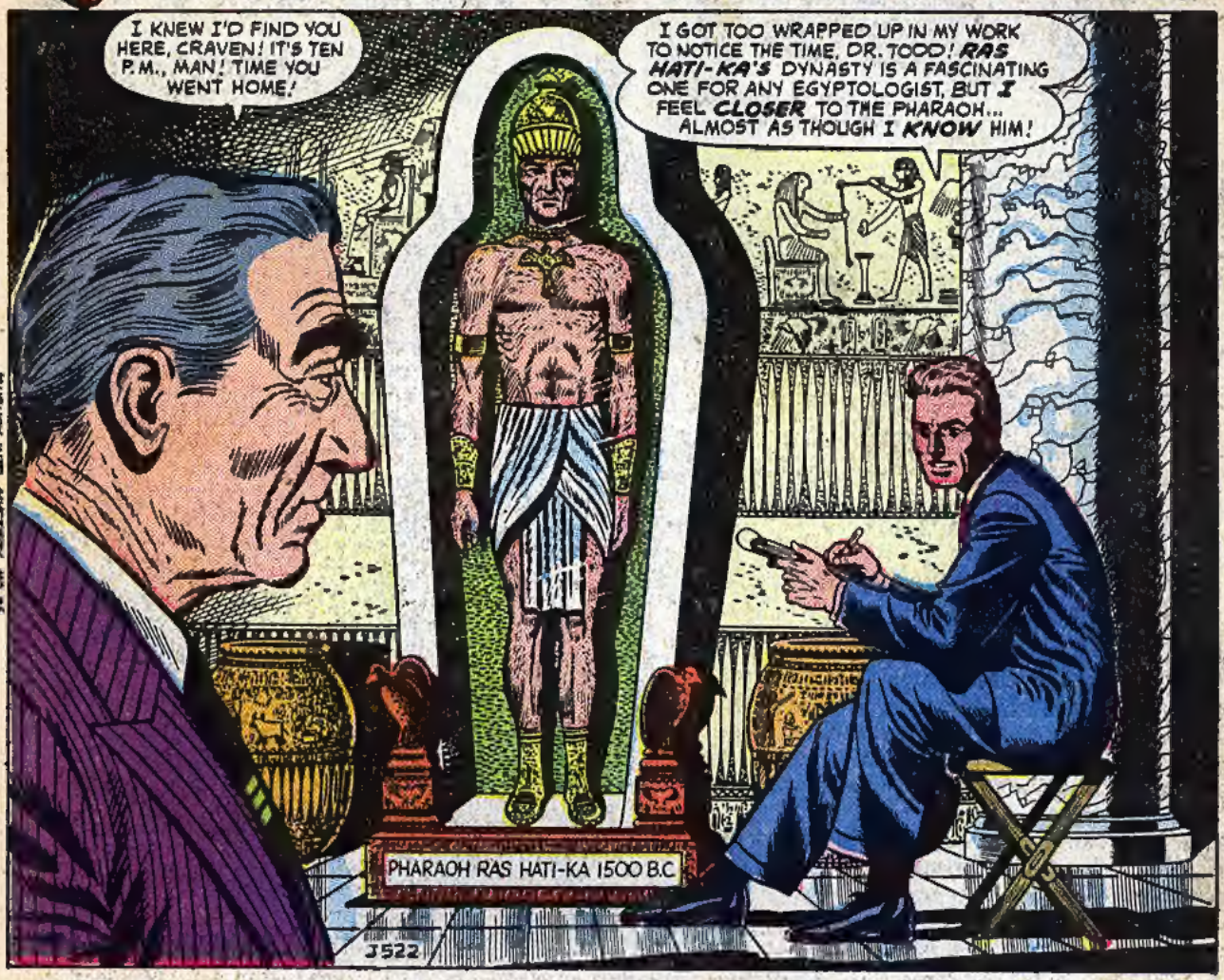
WARNING VOICES FROM THE PAST MURMURED IN THE STILLNESS OF THE NIGHT, AND FAMILIAR FACES OF ANOTHER TIME INVADED TED CRAVEN'S DREAMS WITH STARTLING REALISM! AND YET DAYLIGHT AND WAKENING ONLY DEEPENED THE MYSTERY OF TED'S OTHER LIFE!

I, THE PHARAOH


I KNEW I'D FIND YOU HERE, CRAVEN! IT'S TEN P.M., MAN! TIME YOU WENT HOME!
I GOT TOO WRAPPED UP IN MY WORK TO NOTICE THE TIME, DR. TODD! RAS HATI-KA'S DYNASTY IS A FASCINATING ONE FOR ANY EGYPTOLOGIST, BUT I FEEL CLOSER TO THE PHARAOH... ALMOST AS THOUGH I KNOW HIM!
PHARAOH RAS HATI-KA 1500 B.C.
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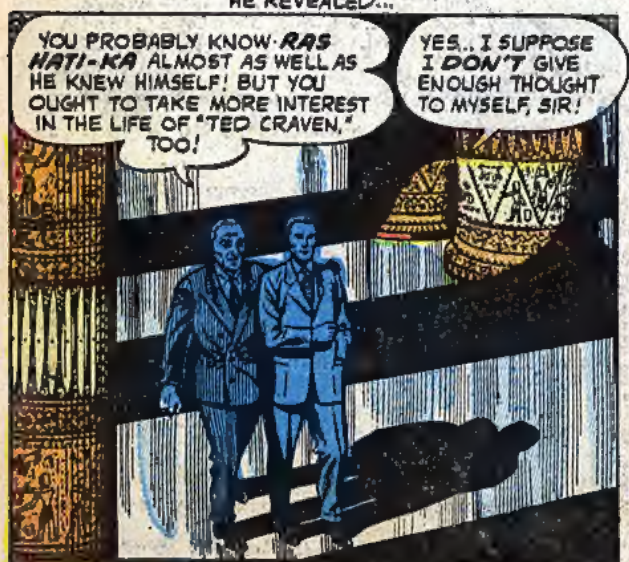
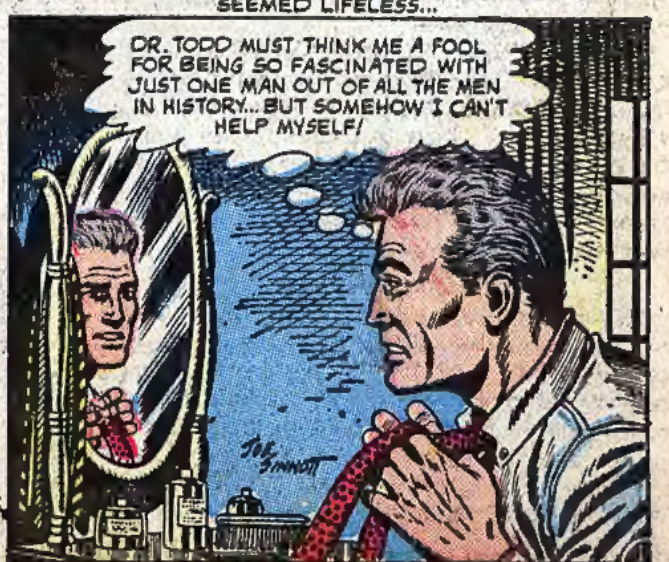
THE PRESIDENT OF COSMOPOLITAN MUSEUM FELT A GRAVER CONCERN FOR THE YOUNG EGYPTOLOGIST THAN HE REVEALED...


YOU PROBABLY KNOW RAS HATI-KA ALMOST AS WELL AS HE KNEW HIMSELF! BUT YOU OUGHT TO TAKE MORE INTEREST IN THE LIFE OF "TED CRAVEN," TOO!
YES.. I SUPPOSE I DON'T GIVE ENOUGH THOUGHT TO MYSELF, SIR!

TED CRAVEN SUDDENLY FELT VERY WEARY AS HE REACHED HOME! HIS DARK BLUE EYES, EVEN HIS LIGHT BROWN HAIR, SEEMED LIFELESS...


DR. TODD MUST THINK ME A FOOL FOR BEING SO FASCINATED WITH JUST ONE MAN OUT OF ALL THE MEN IN HISTORY... BUT SOMEHOW I CAN'T HELP MYSELF!
JOE SINNOTT

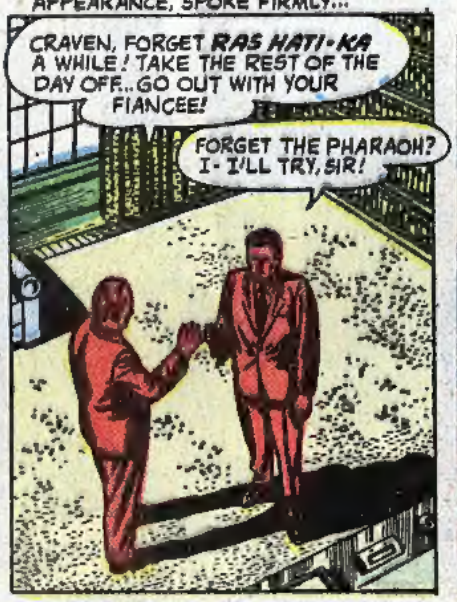
TED SLIPPED INTO DEEP SLEEP ALMOST AT ONCE! THEN THE STRANGE, DISTURBING DREAM STARTED...

I BRING WARNING, RAS HATI-KA, MY PHARAOH... YOUR ENEMIES EVEN NOW ARE PLOTTING TO TOPPLE YOUR THRONE!
LOOK AT ME, DR. TODD... I'M TED CRAVEN, NOT A PHARAOH!

HOW CAN YOU JEST SO IN THE FACE OF DANGER, MASTER? I AM YOUR FAITHFUL MINISTER OF STATE, COME TO PROTECT MY PHARAOH AGAINST TREACHERY!
NO! I'M NOT A PHARAOH! I DON'T BELONG ON THIS THRONE!

THRU THE NIGHT, THE DREAM WENT ON, UNTIL TED AWOKE WITH A START IN THE MORNING...

LATER, DR. TODD, STARTLED BY TED'S APPEARANCE, SPOKE FIRMLY...



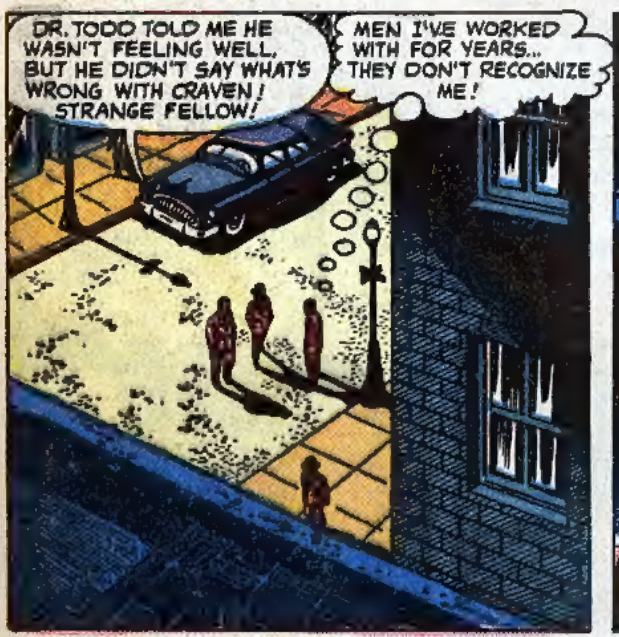
NANCY MORGAN WAS SHOCKED BY THE CHANGE THAT HAD COME OVER THE MAN SHE WAS GOING TO MARRY...

HE WAS IN A HAPPIER FRAME OF MIND THAT NIGHT WHEN HE RETIRED, BUT WITH SLEEP CAME THE RETURN OF THE DREAM...

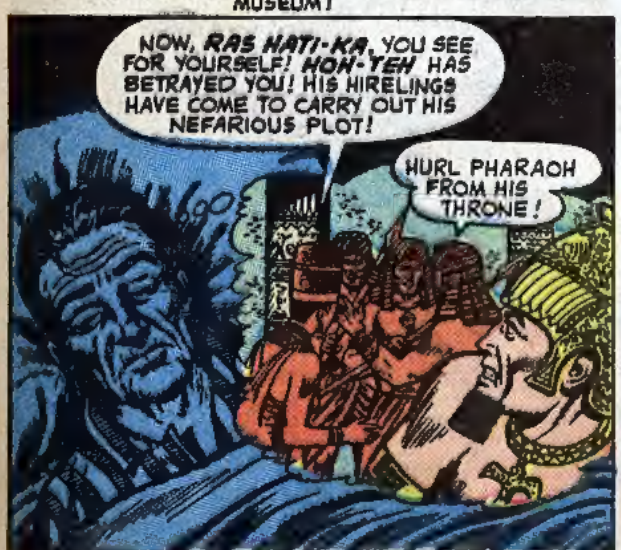
WHY DO YOU AND DR. TODD INSIST ON CALLING ME PHARAOH? IT'S A TRICK... YOU'RE TRYING TO GET ME TO LEAVE THE MUSEUM!
YOU SEE HOW HE IS, ILISAS! WE TRY TO WARN HIM OF A PLOT AGAINST THE THRONE OF EGYPT, AND HE MAKES LIGHT OF IT!

I'M NOT JOKING! YOU'VE CONFUSED ME WITH THE PHARAOH, THOUGH I MOST CERTAINLY DON'T RESEMBLE HIM!
HOW IT WOULD PLEASE YOUR DECEITFUL COUSIN HON-TEH, WHO IS BEHIND THIS PLOT, TO HEAR YOU DENY YOUR RIGHT TO THE THRONE!

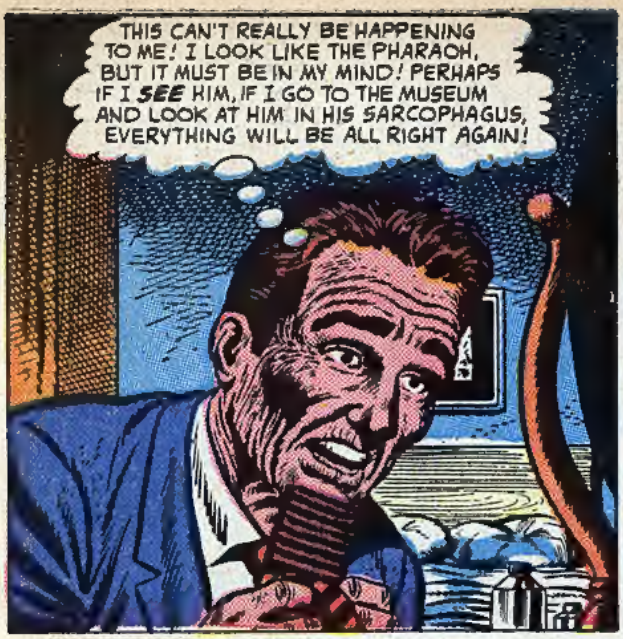
THE DREAM WENT ON THAT WAY TILL MORNING, WHEN TED CRAVEN BOUNDED FROM HIS BED! AGAIN, HIS MIRROR REVEALED A DEEPER CHANGE, AND LATER...


DR. TODD TOLD ME HE WASN'T FEELING WELL, BUT HE DIDN'T SAY WHAT'S WRONG WITH CRAVEN! STRANGE FELLOW!
MEN I'VE WORKED WITH FOR YEARS... THEY DON'T RECOGNIZE ME!

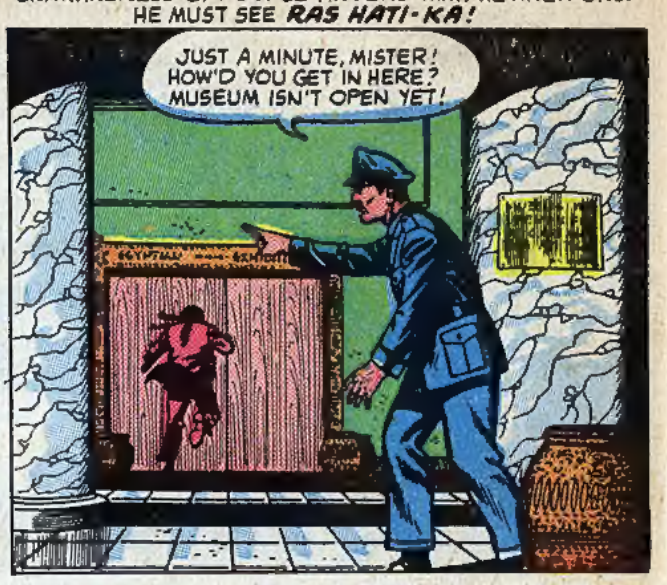
TED CRAVEN SAW THOSE SAME YOUNG MEN IN HIS DREAM THAT NIGHT. BUT NOW THEY WERE NOT THE EASY-GOING FELLOWS HE'D WORKED WITH AT THE MUSEUM!


NOW, RAS HATI-KA, YOU SEE FOR YOURSELF! HON-TEH HAS BETRAYED YOU! HIS HIRELINGS HAVE COME TO CARRY OUT HIS NEFARIOUS PLOT!
HURL PHARAOH FROM HIS THRONE!

THRU THE DREAM, THE ATTACKERS KEPT COMING, SO CLOSE BUT NEVER ANY CLOSER! THEY VANISHED WHEN TED AWOKE HE APPROACHED HIS MIRROR WITH RELUCTANCE...

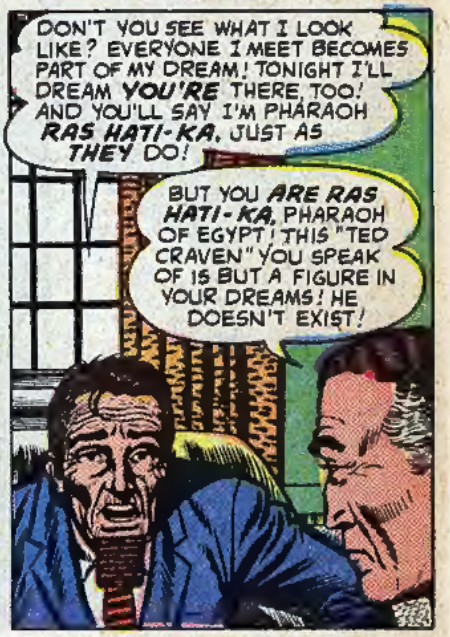

THIS CAN'T REALLY BE HAPPENING TO ME! I LOOK LIKE THE PHARAOH, BUT IT MUST BE IN MY MIND! PERHAPS IF I *SEE* HIM, IF I GO TO THE MUSEUM AND LOOK AT HIM IN HIS SARCOPHAGUS, EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT AGAIN!

THE YOUNG EGYPTOLOGIST WAS SEIZED WITH A NUMB UNAWARENESS OF PEOPLE AROUND HIM! HE KNEW ONLY HE MUST SEE ***RAS HATI-KA!***



HE HURRIED TO THE OFFICE OF PSYCHOANALYST DR. WILBUR ARLEN...HIS VOICE TREMBLED WITH AGITATION AS HE TOLD OF HIS DREAM...

NOBODY RECOGNIZES ME AS TED CRAVEN! I'VE COMPLETELY TAKEN ON THE APPEARANCE OF PHARAOH RAS HATI-KA!
YOU MUST NOT WORRY... THINGS ARE AS THEY *SHOULD* BE!


DON'T YOU SEE WHAT I LOOK LIKE? EVERYONE I MEET BECOMES PART OF MY DREAM! TONIGHT I'LL DREAM *YOU'RE* THERE, TOO! AND YOU'LL SAY I'M PHARAOH *RAS HATI-KA*, JUST AS *THEY* DO!
BUT YOU *ARE RAS HATI-KA*, PHARAOH OF EGYPT! THIS "TED CRAVEN" YOU SPEAK OF IS BUT A FIGURE IN YOUR DREAMS! HE DOESN'T EXIST!

IT WAS TRUE! PHARAOH ***RAS HATI-KA*** AWAKENED THAT MORNING FIFTEEN HUNDRED YEARS AGO FROM HIS STRANGE DREAM OF THE DISTANT FUTURE...AND THEY WERE ALL THERE, INCLUDING HIS COUSIN, THE PHYSICIAN ***HOH-TEH!***

How I Made a Small Fortune In Spare Time!

(WITHOUT SPENDING A PENNY)

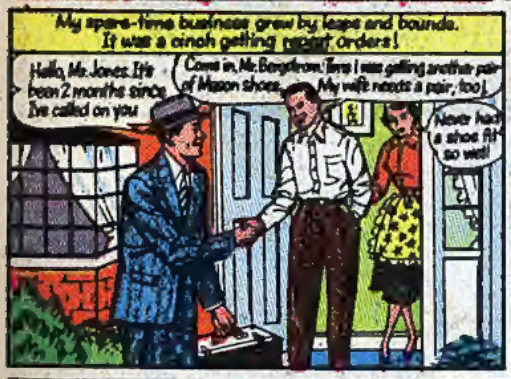
The TRUE STORY of William Bergstrom of Illinois

No, but maybe BETTER! I'm a Mason Shoe Man in off hours. You should see how people buy these shoes! Look, real AIR CUSHION innersoles!
GOSH! Can I make money that way?

Jim told me Mason sends a Selling Outfit FREE and shows how to make MONEY. So I mailed a coupon. My wife was thrilled:
Bill! Look... a real air cushion innersole that customers can feel!
And look at this! Over 175 different styles! Dress shoes, sport shoes, work shoes... from width AAA to EEEE

I started with friends, relatives, people where I worked. EVERYBODY wants comfortable shoes!
Just feel that cushion, Joe! Wouldn't you like to "Walk on Air" all day long?
Say, I'd like those shoes. You sure have swell styles... my right size, too!

Soon the Mason people sent me actual sample shoes, and sales came faster than ever!
Say, you have a larger selection than a store!
Stores can't carry all the sizes and widths to fit every foot right. Mason has 200,000 pairs on hand, so I'm never out of a style, size or width!


My spare-time business grew by leaps and bounds. It was a cinch getting repeat orders!
Hello, Mr. Jones. It's been 2 months since I've called on you
Come in, Mr. Bergstrom. Time I was getting another pair of Mason shoes. My wife needs a pair, too!
Never had a shoe fit so well!

I soon had a business that brought me over $3,000 EXTRA a year, plus exciting prizes. I found real security
Bill, a new toaster!
Didn't cost a cent! Mason gave it to me. They give away thousands of prizes every year. I've really made a swell fortune!

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Mr. Ned Mason, Dept. MS 106
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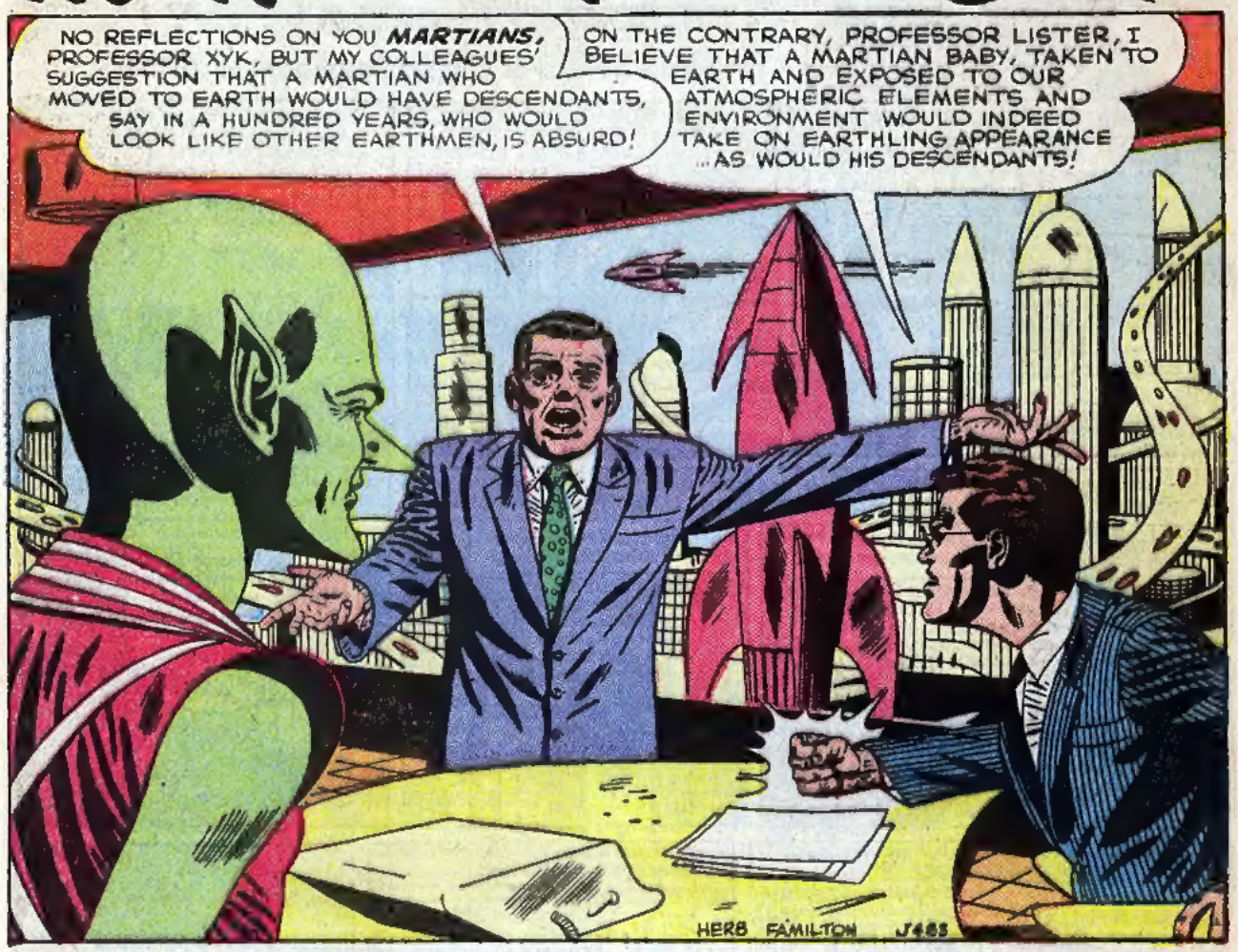
IN ALL THE WORLD ONLY ONE MAN KNEW THE STARTLING TRUTH... A SECRET HE WOULD NEVER REVEAL! BUT THAT MAN, DR. BRYAN HOSKINS, WAS FACED WITH A GRAVE DECISION WHEN SOMEONE UNEXPECTEDLY LEARNED OF THIS HIDDEN KNOWLEDGE!

He Hides Among Us


NO REFLECTIONS ON YOU MARTIANS, PROFESSOR XYK, BUT MY COLLEAGUES' SUGGESTION THAT A MARTIAN WHO MOVED TO EARTH WOULD HAVE DESCENDANTS, SAY IN A HUNDRED YEARS, WHO WOULD LOOK LIKE OTHER EARTHMEN, IS ABSURD!
ON THE CONTRARY, PROFESSOR LISTER, I BELIEVE THAT A MARTIAN BABY, TAKEN TO EARTH AND EXPOSED TO OUR ATMOSPHERIC ELEMENTS AND ENVIRONMENT WOULD INDEED TAKE ON EARTHLING APPEARANCE ...AS WOULD HIS DESCENDANTS!
HERB FAMILTON J485

I'M SURE THAT MEDICAL MEN ON EARTH AS ON MARS, WOULD NEVER REST UNTIL THEY'D EITHER PROVED OR DISPROVED A THEORY! WHY NOT ADOPT A MARTIAN BABY FROM ONE OF OUR ORPHANAGES?
PROFESSOR XYK, HOW CAN I THANK YOU? FIRST YOU GAVE US THE OPPORTUNITY OF COMING TO THIS WONDERFUL PLANET IN YOUR ROCKET SHIP.. AND NOW...

I OFFER YOU A MARTIAN CHILD FOR YOUR EXPERIMENT! NO HARM WOULD BEFALL THE CHILD, AND I KNOW IT WOULD BE HAPPY ON EARTH IN A GOOD HOME! COME, I SHALL ARRANGE FOR THE ADOPTION!
UNIVERSITY OF MARS

SO IT WAS DONE! A FEW DAYS LATER, THE EARTH DOCTORS DEPARTED WITH DR. HOSKINS' LEGALLY ADOPTED WARD...
PERHAPS ONE DAY THE PEOPLE OF THE PLANET EARTH WILL COME TO KNOW THAT A MARTIAN CHILD LIVES AMONG THEM, LOOKS LIKE THEM! THEY'LL SEE THERE'S NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF THE UNIVERSE! WHAT A MARVELOUS THING THAT WOULD BE!
WELL, DR. HOSKINS, DO YOU STILL THINK YOU CAN BRING ABOUT A CHANGE IN THIS CHILD'S APPEARANCE? EVEN CHANGE THE GREEN PIGMENTS OF ITS SKIN?
I'M SURE I CAN, PROFESSOR! I HAVE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT IN MY LABORATORY ...WE'LL SOON SEE!
IMMEDIATELY UPON HIS RETURN TO EARTH, DR. HOSKINS ARRANGED FOR THE CARE OF THE MARTIAN CHILD, EVEN HIRED A NURSEMAID, WHO WAS SWORN TO SECRECY! HIS EXPERIMENT BEGAN WITHIN A FEW DAYS...
GREEN RAYS TO NEUTRALIZE THE GREEN PIGMENT OF ITS SKIN! NONSENSE, HOSKINS!
THE GREEN RAYS COMBINE OTHER ELEMENTS, LISTER... HARMLESSLY INFUSING THE CHILD WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITIES IT LACKS, IN HUGE DOSES!
AND WHAT IF THIS EXPERIMENT DOES WORK, DR. HOSKINS? YOU'RE STUCK WITH A BEING THAT LOOKS EARTHLIKE, BUT IS ACTUALLY A MARTIAN! WILL PEOPLE MAKE THE CHILD WELCOME ...ACCEPT IT?
I'LL SEE THAT WARD IS ADOPTED INTO THE BEST POSSIBLE HOME! NO ONE NEED EVER KNOW THE TRUTH, NOT EVEN THE CHILD ITSELF!
LABORATORY
PROF. LISTER WAS A FREQUENT VISITOR TO DR. HOSKINS' LABORATORY, AND HIS AMAZEMENT GREW AS HE NOTED THE GRADUAL CHANGE THAT CAME OVER THE YOUNGSTER IN A YEAR'S TIME...
I WOULDN'T HAVE BELIEVED THIS IF I HADN'T SEEN IT MYSELF, HOSKINS! A MOST BEAUTIFUL CHILD! AND NOW...?
ADOPTION! I'LL HATE TO PART WITH THE LITTLE TYKE, BUT IT'S THE ONLY WAY!
THE DOCTOR'S HEART ACHED WHEN IT CAME TIME TO PART WITH HIS YOUNG WARD...
REMEMBER, MRS. PARKER, IT'S TO REMAIN A SECRET THAT I'M THE ONE WHO GAVE THE CHILD OUT FOR ADOPTION! AND I MUST KNOW WHO THE FAMILY IS! I'LL WANT TO KEEP TRACK!
UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, I'M SURE IT WILL BE ALL RIGHT FOR YOU TO HAVE THAT INFORMATION!
SOON THE MARTIAN CHILD WAS ADOPTED! DR. HOSKINS OBSERVED THE HAPPY YEARS OF GROWTH THAT FOLLOWED AND AT LAST SAW THE HANDSOME SUBJECT OF HIS EXPERIMENT GO OFF TO SCHOOL...
CHIP, ISN'T STEPHEN JUST OUT OF THIS WORLD ...HE'S BROKEN THE THOUSAND-METER RECORD!
SOMETIMES I WISH HE WERE OUT OF THIS WORLD, LOUISE! THEN YOU MIGHT PAY MORE ATTENTION TO ME!

THE THREE, LOUISE WHARTON, CHIP LADBY AND STEPHEN DOWELL, CAME FROM THE SAME TOWN...DR. HOSKINS' TOWN!
YOU WERE WONDERFUL, STEPHEN!
YOU'RE PRETTY WONDERFUL YOURSELF! WHEN YOU'RE WATCHING ME, I SEEM TO BE ABLE TO DO WONDERS ON THE FIELD!
YOU'RE QUITE THE WONDER BOY, STEPHEN... EIGHT NEW WORLD'S RECORDS IN ATHLETICS! BUT I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A RUN FOR YOUR MONEY WHEN IT COMES TO LOUISE! I LOVE HER, TOO!
PLEASE, YOU TWO, DON'T START ARGUING ABOUT ME AGAIN!
LOUISE, CHIP'S GOT TO KNOW SOMETIME! WHY TRY TO HIDE OUR ENGAGEMENT?
SO, YOU'VE ALSO WON THAT RACE! WELL, YOU'RE NOT MARRIED TO HER YET... AND I DON'T GIVE UP EASILY!
THAT SUMMER, CHIP LADBY, WHO HAD BEEN BROODING OVER LOUISE'S ENGAGEMENT TO STEPHEN VISITED DR. HOSKINS' OFFICE FOR A CHECKUP...
THE DOCTOR OUGHT TO BE IN ANY MINUTE, CHIP! WANT TO GO INSIDE?
YES, I MIGHT AS WELL GET READY!
IT WAS DR. HOSKINS WHO FIRST INTRODUCED STEPHEN TO LOUISE... BEFORE THAT, I HAD THE INSIDE TRACK WITH HER ALL THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL!
BIRCHFIELD CLARION
SOCIALLY PROMINENT LOUISE WHARTON AND "MIRACLE MAN" STEPHEN DOWELL ANNOUNCE BETROTHAL
DOC SEEMS TO THINK STEPHEN DOWELL IS PERFECT... A GOOD STUDENT... A GREAT ATHLETE! HE DOES EVERYTHING BETTER THAN ANYBODY!
G-K
L-R
DOC WOULDN'T KEEP STEPHEN WAITING LIKE THIS... BUT I'M JUST SMALL STUFF! WELL, HE WON'T HAVE TO DIG OUT MY CARD FROM THE FILE... "MARTIAN EXPERIMENT"! WHAT'S THIS?
G-K
MARTIAN EXPERIMENT PRIVATE PAPERS — DO NOT TOUCH!
L-R
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CHEWING GUM!

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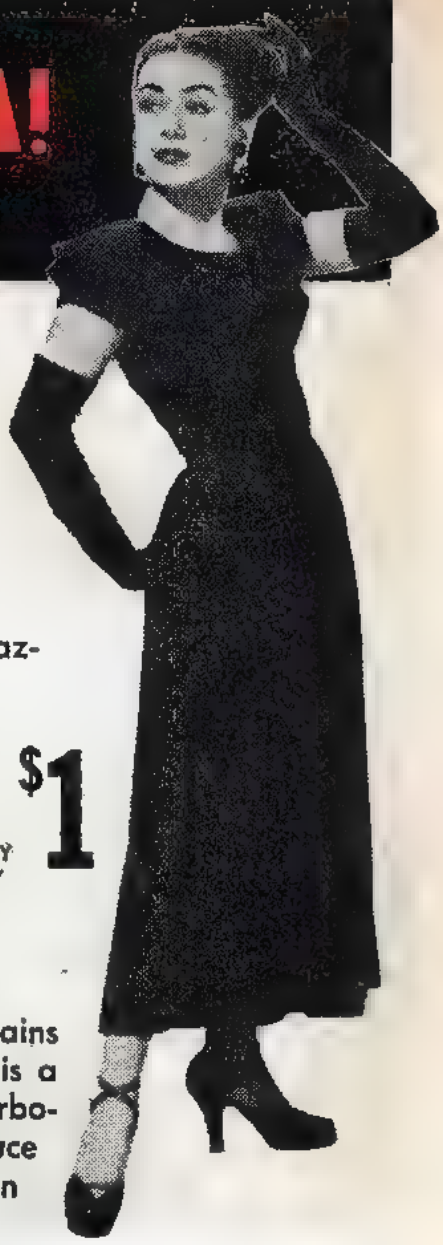

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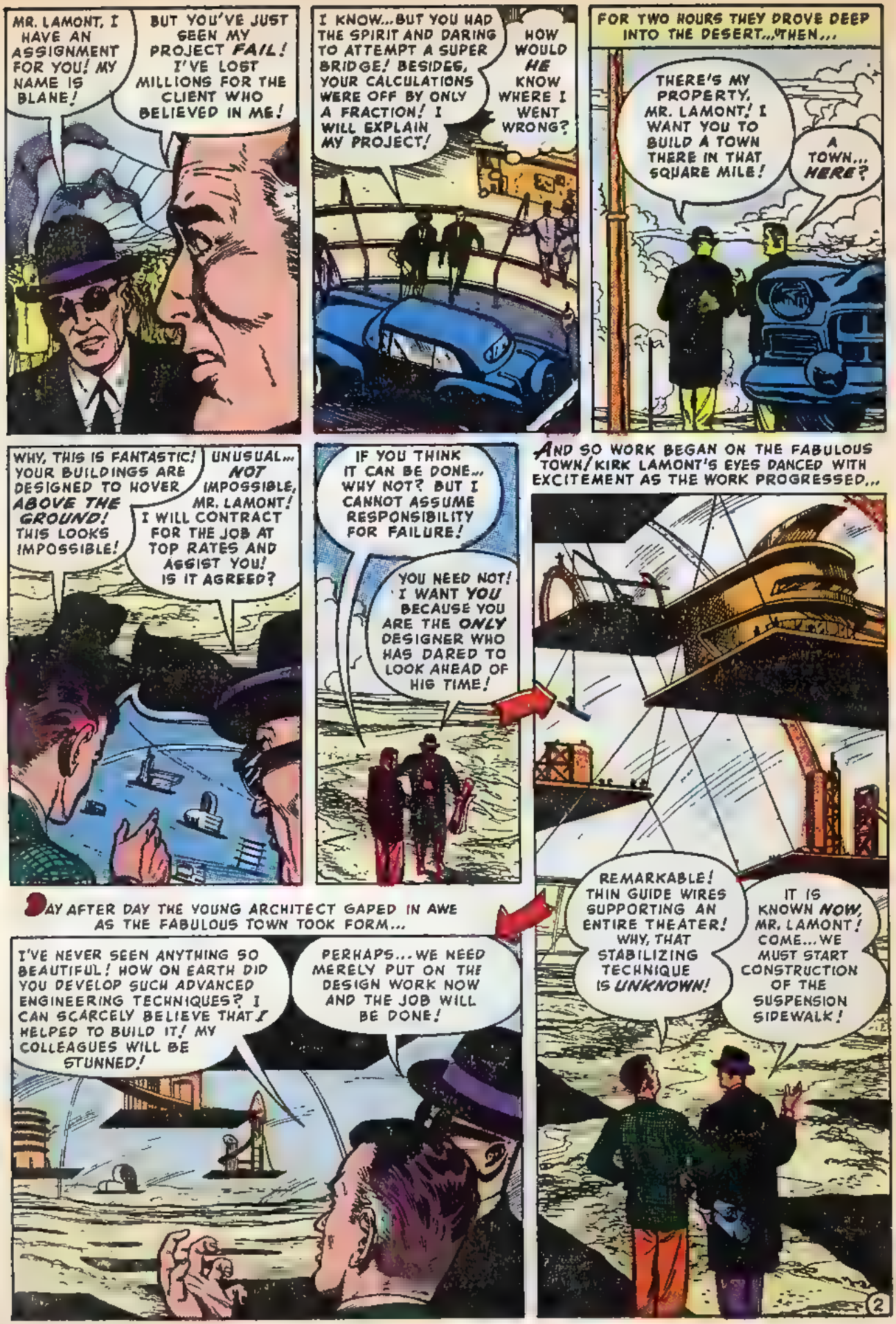
"...TODAY THE CHILD WAS GIVEN OUT FOR ADOPTION TO A BIRCHFIELD FAMILY WHO WILL NOT BE TOLD OF ITS DISTANT ORIGIN!" SO THAT'S IT! NO WONDER MR. STEPHEN DOWELL IS SO DIFFERENT!
GIVE ME THAT FOLDER! YOU'VE NO RIGHT...
I'VE NO RIGHT TO SNOOP IN YOUR PRIVATE FILES, DR. HOSKINS, BUT I'M GLAD I DID! I USED TO THINK IT WAS MY PARENTS' FANCY, THAT STORY ABOUT YOUR TRIP INTO SPACE ...BUT THEY DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT STEPHEN DOWELL, DID THEY?
IT EXPLAINS A LOT OF THINGS SUCH AS STEPHEN'S UNEARTHLY PROWESS AS AN ATHLETE, AND YOUR SPECIAL INTEREST IN HIM! I WONDER HOW LOUISE'S FAMILY WOULD FEEL ABOUT HER MARRYING A MARTIAN!
I DOUBT THEY'D PERMIT IT, CHIP! BUT YOU'RE RUSHING TO CONCLUSIONS!
I'VE ALWAYS TAKEN A GREAT INTEREST IN YOU, TOO, CHIP! WHAT DO YOU KNOW OF YOUR OWN BACK-GROUND? DO YOU REMEMBER YOUR REAL PARENTS?
NO, I'VE ONLY KNOWN THE LADBYS FROM THE TIME I WAS...HEY, NOW WAIT A MINUTE, DOC! YOU DON'T SEE ME BREAKING RECORDS IN ATHLETICS AND WINNING SCHOLASTIC AWARDS LIKE STEPHEN!
DR. HOSKINS LET THE EFFECT SINK IN BEFORE HE SPOKE AGAIN...
REMEMBER, I'VE BEEN TO MARS, CHIP, AND WHILE THEIR CIVILIZATION IS OLDER, MORE ADVANCED THAN OURS, THEY'RE NO MORE INTELLIGENT OR ATHLETIC THAN WE ARE!
THEN...I MIGHT BE A MARTIAN, TOO! DOC... PLEASE, YOU'VE GOT TO KEEP THIS QUIET! I'D BE AN OUTCAST IN BIRCHFIELD! PROMISE ME, DOC!
CHIP LADBY LEFT TOWN SUDDENLY! A WEEK LATER, DR. BRYAN HOSKINS ATTENDED A WEDDING...AND THE SECRET WAS LOCKED UP WITHIN HIM FOREVER...
POOR CHIP! HE NEVER REALLY HAD A CHANCE WITH LOUISE... SHE COULD LOVE NO MAN BUT STEPHEN! NO ONE WILL EVER KNOW... THAT LOUISE IS A MARTIAN GIRL! SHE DOES MAKE A LOVELY BRIDE!

THE BRIDGE WAS A MASTERPIECE OF DESIGN FAR BEYOND ITS ERA! BUT WHEN THE GIRDERS GAVE WAY, THE GASPS OF AWE FROM ONLOOKERS TURNED TO CRIES OF DERISION, FOR NOW THEY THOUGHT ARCHITECT KIRK LAMONT A FOOL... AND NO ONE DREAMED THAT SOON HE WOULD BUILD...

The FLOATING CITY

A STRANGE JOURNEY INTO MYSTERY!
No! No!
HA! I THOUGHT SO! LAMONT'S SUPER MODERN DESIGNING IDEAS ARE WORTHLESS!
HE GOT TOO CLEVER FOR HIS OWN GOOD!
BETTER STICK TO TRIED AND TRUE PRINCIPLES, LAMONT!
IT WILL BE A HUNDRED YEARS BEFORE A SPIDER-WEB SUSPENSION BRIDGE LIKE THAT CAN BE MADE BY ENGINEERS! YOU'RE RUINED!
YES... I KNOW...


MR. LAMONT, I HAVE AN ASSIGNMENT FOR YOU! MY NAME IS BLANE!
BUT YOU'VE JUST SEEN MY PROJECT FAIL! I'VE LOST MILLIONS FOR THE CLIENT WHO BELIEVED IN ME!
I KNOW...BUT YOU HAD THE SPIRIT AND DARING TO ATTEMPT A SUPER BRIDGE! BESIDES, YOUR CALCULATIONS WERE OFF BY ONLY A FRACTION! I WILL EXPLAIN MY PROJECT!
HOW WOULD HE KNOW WHERE I WENT WRONG?
FOR TWO HOURS THEY DROVE DEEP INTO THE DESERT...THEN...
THERE'S MY PROPERTY, MR. LAMONT! I WANT YOU TO BUILD A TOWN THERE IN THAT SQUARE MILE!
A TOWN... HERE?
WHY, THIS IS FANTASTIC! YOUR BUILDINGS ARE DESIGNED TO HOVER ABOVE THE GROUND! THIS LOOKS IMPOSSIBLE!
UNUSUAL... NOT IMPOSSIBLE, MR. LAMONT! I WILL CONTRACT FOR THE JOB AT TOP RATES AND ASSIST YOU! IS IT AGREED?
IF YOU THINK IT CAN BE DONE... WHY NOT? BUT I CANNOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR FAILURE!
YOU NEED NOT! I WANT YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE THE ONLY DESIGNER WHO HAS DARED TO LOOK AHEAD OF HIS TIME!
AND SO WORK BEGAN ON THE FABULOUS TOWN/ KIRK LAMONT'S EYES DANCED WITH EXCITEMENT AS THE WORK PROGRESSED...
DAY AFTER DAY THE YOUNG ARCHITECT GAPED IN AWE AS THE FABULOUS TOWN TOOK FORM...
I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING SO BEAUTIFUL! HOW ON EARTH DID YOU DEVELOP SUCH ADVANCED ENGINEERING TECHNIQUES? I CAN SCARCELY BELIEVE THAT I HELPED TO BUILD IT! MY COLLEAGUES WILL BE STUNNED!
PERHAPS...WE NEED MERELY PUT ON THE DESIGN WORK NOW AND THE JOB WILL BE DONE!
REMARKABLE! THIN GUIDE WIRES SUPPORTING AN ENTIRE THEATER! WHY, THAT STABILIZING TECHNIQUE IS UNKNOWN!
IT IS KNOWN NOW, MR. LAMONT! COME...WE MUST START CONSTRUCTION OF THE SUSPENSION SIDEWALK!
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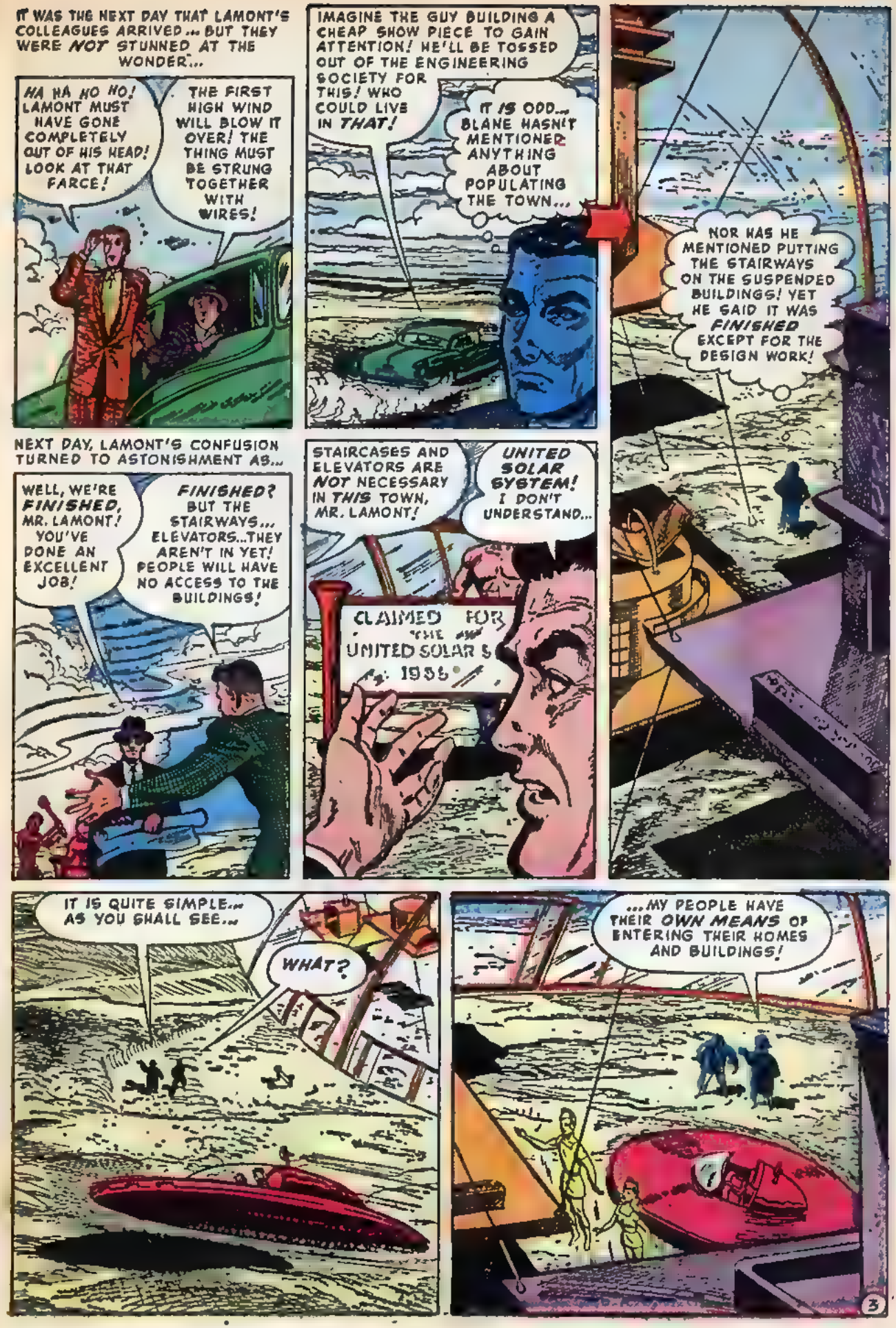
IT WAS THE NEXT DAY THAT LAMONT'S COLLEAGUES ARRIVED... BUT THEY WERE NOT STUNNED AT THE WONDER...
HA HA HO HO! LAMONT MUST HAVE GONE COMPLETELY OUT OF HIS HEAD! LOOK AT THAT FARCE!
THE FIRST HIGH WIND WILL BLOW IT OVER! THE THING MUST BE STRUNG TOGETHER WITH WIRES!
IMAGINE THE GUY BUILDING A CHEAP SHOW PIECE TO GAIN ATTENTION! HE'LL BE TOSSED OUT OF THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY FOR THIS! WHO COULD LIVE IN THAT!
IT IS ODD... BLANE HASN'T MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT POPULATING THE TOWN...
NOR HAS HE MENTIONED PUTTING THE STAIRWAYS ON THE SUSPENDED BUILDINGS! YET HE SAID IT WAS FINISHED EXCEPT FOR THE DESIGN WORK!
NEXT DAY, LAMONT'S CONFUSION TURNED TO ASTONISHMENT AS...
WELL, WE'RE FINISHED, MR. LAMONT! YOU'VE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB!
FINISHED? BUT THE STAIRWAYS... ELEVATORS...THEY AREN'T IN YET! PEOPLE WILL HAVE NO ACCESS TO THE BUILDINGS!
STAIRCASES AND ELEVATORS ARE NOT NECESSARY IN THIS TOWN, MR. LAMONT!
UNITED SOLAR SYSTEM! I DON'T UNDERSTAND...
CLAIMED FOR THE UNITED SOLAR S
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IT IS QUITE SIMPLE... AS YOU SHALL SEE...
WHAT?
...MY PEOPLE HAVE THEIR OWN MEANS OF ENTERING THEIR HOMES AND BUILDINGS!
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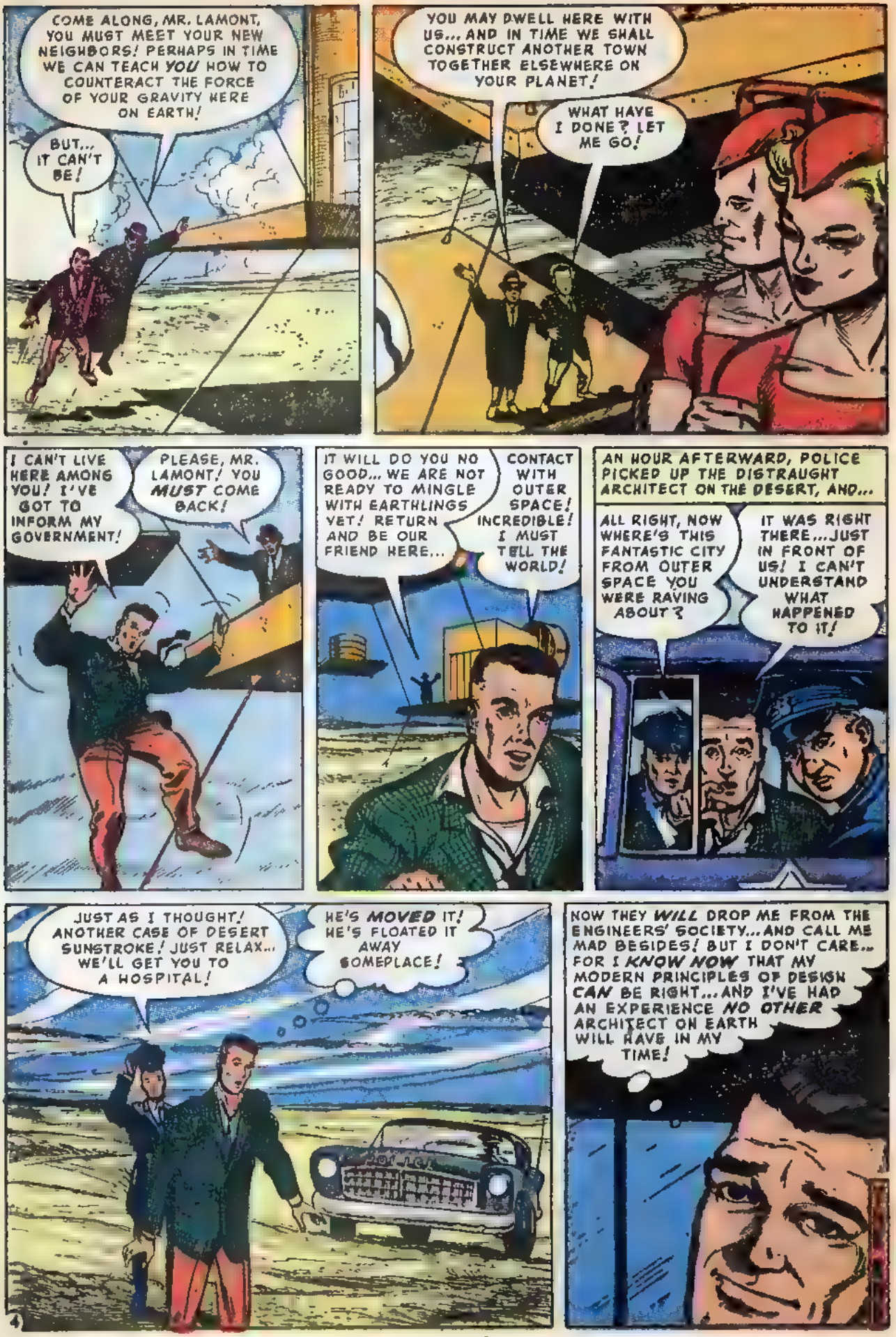
COME ALONG, MR. LAMONT, YOU MUST MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS! PERHAPS IN TIME WE CAN TEACH YOU HOW TO COUNTERACT THE FORCE OF YOUR GRAVITY HERE ON EARTH!
BUT... IT CAN'T BE!
YOU MAY DWELL HERE WITH US... AND IN TIME WE SHALL CONSTRUCT ANOTHER TOWN TOGETHER ELSEWHERE ON YOUR PLANET!
WHAT HAVE I DONE? LET ME GO!
I CAN'T LIVE HERE AMONG YOU! I'VE GOT TO INFORM MY GOVERNMENT!
PLEASE, MR. LAMONT! YOU MUST COME BACK!
IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD... WE ARE NOT READY TO MINGLE WITH EARTHLINGS YET! RETURN AND BE OUR FRIEND HERE...
CONTACT WITH OUTER SPACE! INCREDIBLE! I MUST TELL THE WORLD!
AN HOUR AFTERWARD, POLICE PICKED UP THE DISTRAUGHT ARCHITECT ON THE DESERT, AND...
ALL RIGHT, NOW WHERE'S THIS FANTASTIC CITY FROM OUTER SPACE YOU WERE RAVING ABOUT?
IT WAS RIGHT THERE... JUST IN FRONT OF US! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENED TO IT!
JUST AS I THOUGHT! ANOTHER CASE OF DESERT SUNSTROKE! JUST RELAX... WE'LL GET YOU TO A HOSPITAL!
HE'S MOVED IT! HE'S FLOATED IT AWAY SOMEPLACE!
NOW THEY WILL DROP ME FROM THE ENGINEERS' SOCIETY... AND CALL ME MAD BESIDES! BUT I DON'T CARE... FOR I KNOW NOW THAT MY MODERN PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN CAN BE RIGHT... AND I'VE HAD AN EXPERIENCE NO OTHER ARCHITECT ON EARTH WILL HAVE IN MY TIME!

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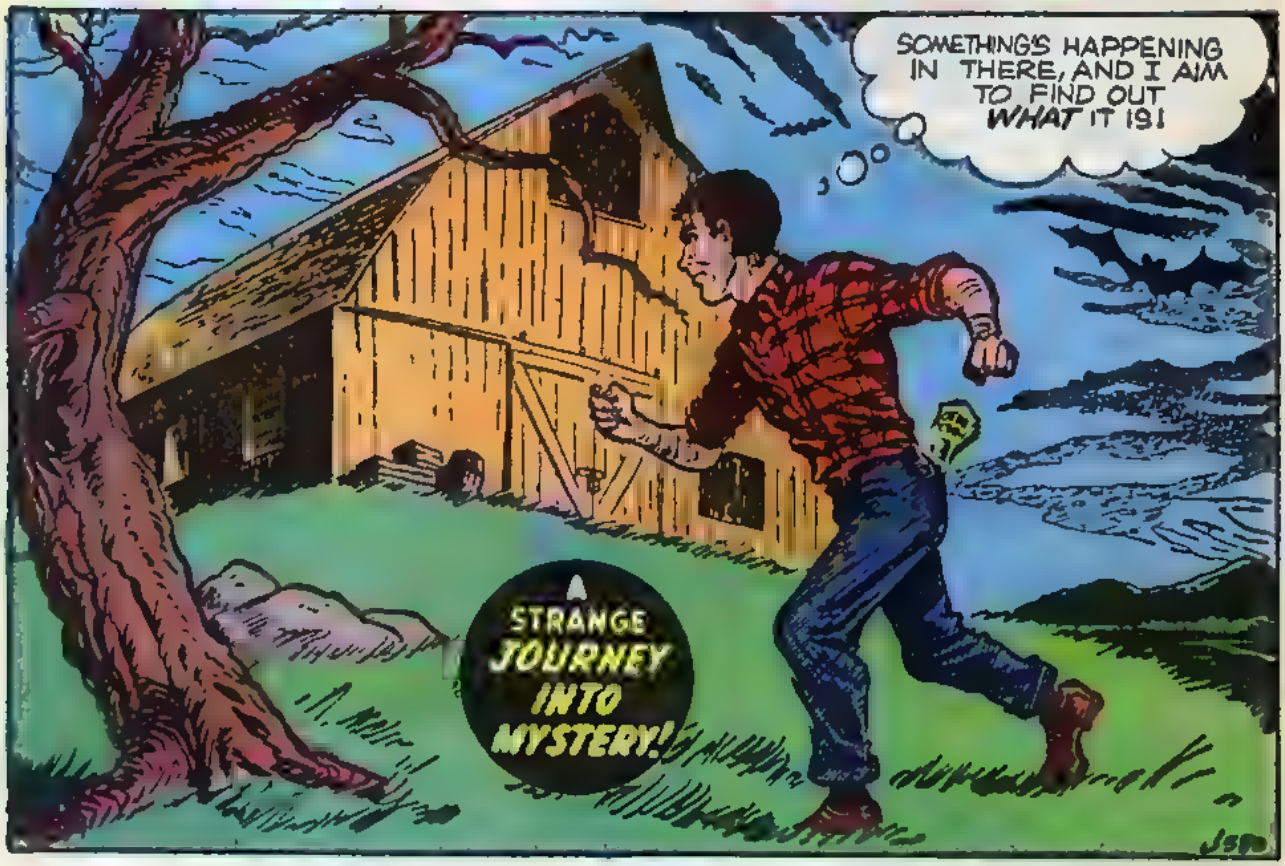
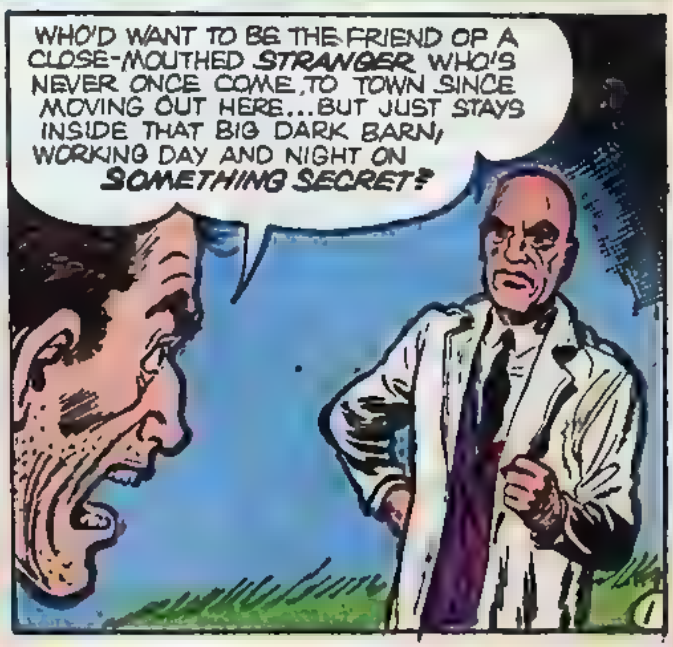
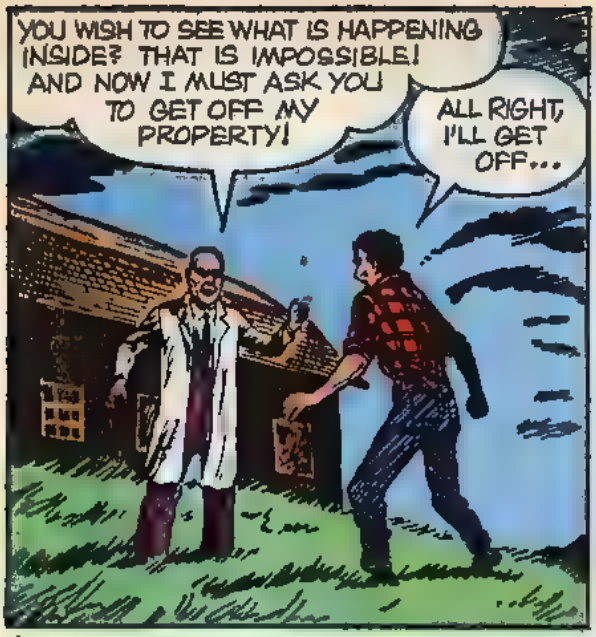
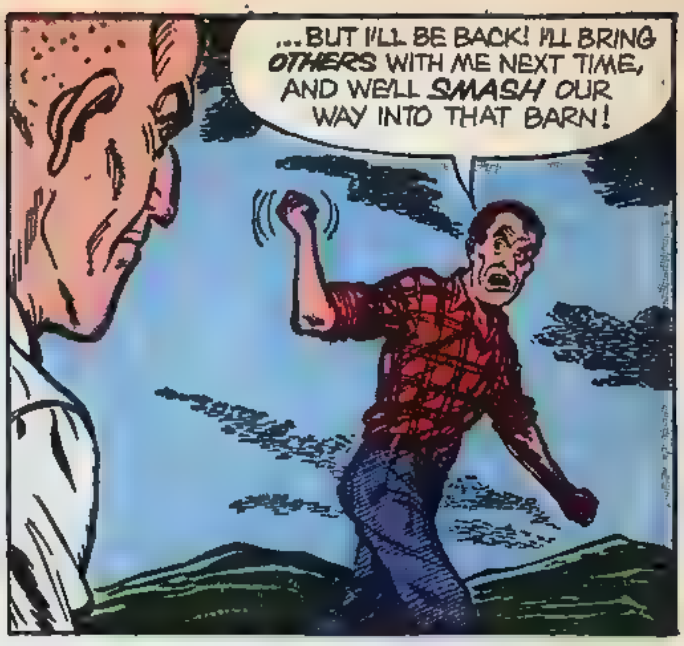
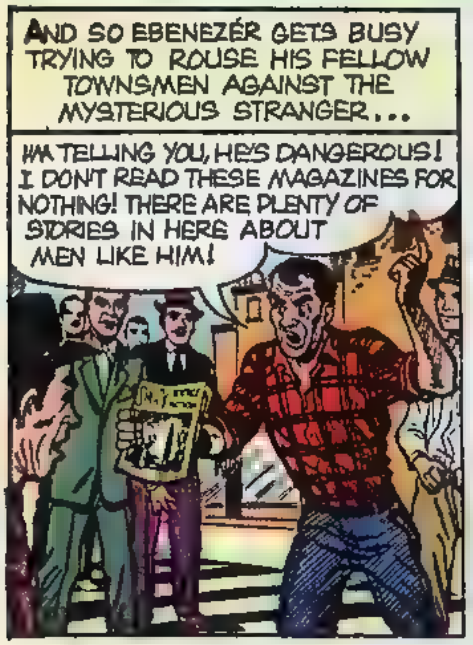
SOMETHING IS HAPPENING IN THERE!

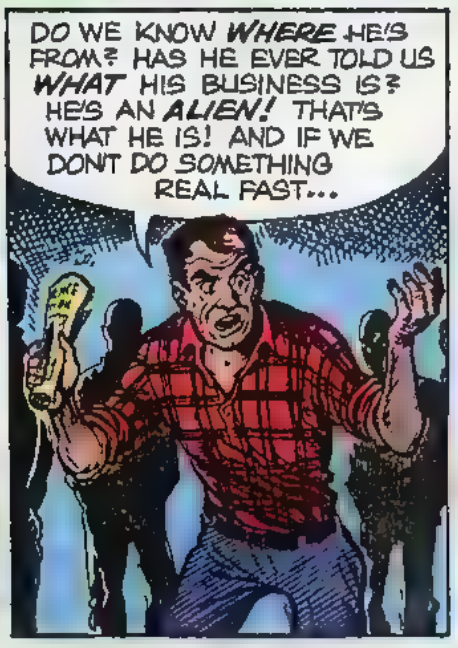



WHO'D WANT TO BE THE FRIEND OF A CLOSE-MOUTHED STRANGER WHO'S NEVER ONCE COME TO TOWN SINCE MOVING OUT HERE...BUT JUST STAYS INSIDE THAT BIG DARK BARN, WORKING DAY AND NIGHT ON SOMETHING SECRET?

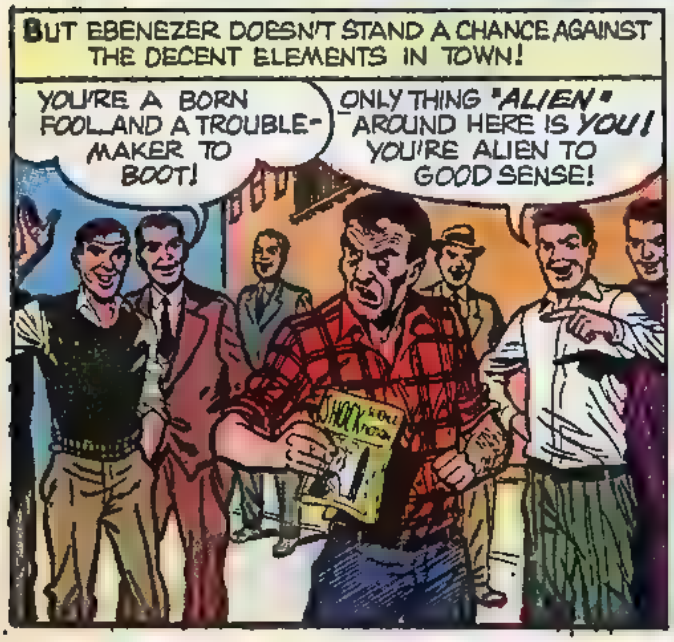

YOU WISH TO SEE WHAT IS HAPPENING INSIDE? THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE! AND NOW I MUST ASK YOU TO GET OFF MY PROPERTY!
ALL RIGHT, I'LL GET OFF...


...BUT I'LL BE BACK! I'LL BRING OTHERS WITH ME NEXT TIME, AND WE'LL SMASH OUR WAY INTO THAT BARN!


AND SO EBENEZER GETS BUSY TRYING TO ROUSE HIS FELLOW TOWNSMEN AGAINST THE MYSTERIOUS STRANGER...
I'M TELLING YOU, HE'S DANGEROUS! I DON'T READ THESE MAGAZINES FOR NOTHING! THERE ARE PLENTY OF STORIES IN HERE ABOUT MEN LIKE HIM!


DO WE KNOW WHERE HE'S FROM? HAS HE EVER TOLD US WHAT HIS BUSINESS IS? HE'S AN ALIEN! THAT'S WHAT HE IS! AND IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING REAL FAST...

...IT'LL BE TOO LATE TO PUT A STOP TO WHATEVER'S GOING ON IN THAT DARK BARN OF HIS!


BUT EBENEZER DOESN'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST THE DECENT ELEMENTS IN TOWN!
YOU'RE A BORN FOOL AND A TROUBLE-MAKER TO BOOT!
ONLY THING "ALIEN" AROUND HERE IS YOU! YOU'RE ALIEN TO GOOD SENSE!

LET THEM LAUGH! I'LL BREAK INTO THAT BARN BY MYSELF...AND WHEN I TELL THEM WHAT I'VE SAVED THEM FROM, THEY'LL SEE WHO THE FOOLS ARE!
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THE STRANGER'S SLEEPING! I SAW HIM THROUGH HIS BEDROOM WINDOW! AND THIS LOCK MAKES FOR EASY PICKING!
LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THAT MACHINE! HEY... I'VE SEEN ONE JUST LIKE IT BEFORE!
IT'S JUST LIKE THIS PICTURE... OF A TIME MACHINE!
TIME MACHINE
HE WAS MOVING FORWARD CAUTIOUSLY INTO THE SHADOWY RECESSES OF THE MYSTERIOUS MACHINE, WHEN SUDDENLY...
HSSSSS!
I'VE HIT AGAINST SOMETHING!
THEN HE BLACKED OUT! AND WHEN HE NEXT OPENED HIS EYES...
I WAS RIGHT ABOUT THE MACHINE! IT'S CARRIED ME CLEAR INTO THE FUTURE!
WAIT TILL THE FOLKS BACK HOME HEAR ABOUT...
DO NOT TAKE ANOTHER STEP ALIEN!!
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B..BUT I DON'T AIM TO DO HARM! I JUST CAME FROM THE PAST! I ASSURE YOU, I'M A PEACEFUL MAN!
HEED NOT HIS LYING WORDS!
YOUR KIND IS DANGEROUS! WE'VE READ STORIES ABOUT YOU IN MAGAZINES!
LOOK, YOU'VE GOT TO BELIEVE ME! I'M HARMLESS! UH-OH... THAT CRINKLY MATERIAL TEARS LIKE PAPER!
DO WE KNOW WHERE YOU'RE FROM? HAVE YOU TOLD US WHAT YOUR BUSINESS IS? YOU ARE AN ALIEN!
WHAT'S THE USE, THEY WON'T EVEN GIVE ME A CHANCE TO EXPLAIN! THEY JUST TAKE IT FOR GRANTED THAT ALL ALIENS ARE DANGEROUS! THEY DON'T REALIZE I MEAN NO HARM! I'LL HAVE TO RUN FOR IT!
HE MUST HAVE BLACKED OUT AGAIN! AND WHEN HIS EYES OPENED THE SECOND TIME...
THE TIME MACHINE...TOOK ME CLEAR TO THE FUTURE! I... I'LL NEVER HAVE HARD FEELINGS AGAINST ANOTHER STRANGER!
BUT THAT'S NO TIME MACHINE! IT'S A NEW TYPE AUTOMATIC CAR WASH THAT I'VE BEEN WORKING ON SECRETLY, BECAUSE THE PATENT HASN'T BEEN APPROVED YET!
YOU'RE LUCKY I HEARD YOU SCREAM! YOU TRIPPED THE STEAM VALVE...AND I PULLED YOU OUT JUST IN TIME!
CAR WASH!? THEN THAT "TRIP TO THE FUTURE" WAS ONLY A DREAM?
B..BUT IF IT WAS ONLY A DREAM...WHAT IS THIS DOING IN MY HAND?

ISLAND MYSTERY

THINGS like this always happened to Wily Trenchcoat, even when he was supposed to be on vacation. Somewhere, somehow, the local police force would smoke him out of hiding and plead with him to help them solve a particularly difficult mystery. But Wily decided that he had done his duty, and that his year had come at last! He put his spectacles in his pocket, traded his cap with the visor for a bushy toupee, and replaced his mackintosh coat with a lumber jacket. In case anyone might still recognize him by the long-stemmed pipe that was almost a trademark of his profession, he put this away, too. He took up smoking cigars that smelled badly enough to drive away most people who accidentally came too close.

To insure complete rest and quiet, he chose a lazy spot in a tropical island paradise. He slept late in his simple hotel room and awoke refreshed. Happily, he patted his new toupee upon his naturally bald head. He grinned at himself in the mirror and was startled at the effect. Why, he hardly recognized himself! And there was certainly no one in this remote spot who would know him.

He headed for the restaurant. Sitting at a table was a detective who had worked with him on a case just the year before! How could fate be so cruel to him! Could he trust the careful disguise he had devised so ingeniously? And more than that, could he trust himself to walk away from the restaurant when the tantalizing smell of crisp bacon and pancakes swimming in tangy syrup made him weak with desire?

He was so hungry that he staggered to the nearest table and abandoned himself to the delicious food served to him. Then, suddenly, caught by the trap his palate had set for him by leading him into this booby-trap, he heard the familiar, rasping voice of the detective behind him.

"Mr. Wily Trenchcoat, I presume?" the voice called out. Wily felt a hearty slap on his back just as he was lifting a pancake to his mouth. He jerked forward, and the entire pancake went slithering down his throat before he could even taste its delicate flavor.

Freddy Few, of the island police, plopped into a chair. He wriggled close to Wily with a look that foretold his next words.

"Wily, you've got to help us solve a baffling mystery. This particular case is so tough that we don't even know who the victim of it is yet, but we have clues."

"Not interested," Wily Trenchcoat insisted.

Few's shaggy eyebrows caved into an angry bristle.

"You mean to say that a cheap vacation means more to you than your honor as a detective? Take off that coonskin cap and let's get down to the facts, man!"

"Coonskin cap!" choked Wily indignantly. "Why you couldn't grow a head of hair like this if you tried."

Few blushed for shame as he realized that Wily was indeed wearing not a cap but a toupee. But the damage was already done. Wily got up, fast as a pistol shot, and looked at Few.

"I see that this island isn't big enough for both of us, Few. I will find myself an isolated spot farther out on the ocean for a few days. But when I return I expect to be left alone. For once in my life I don't want to solve anything . . . not even a crossword puzzle!"

Few watched Wily saunter away regretfully.

"You can't run away from yourself," he called after him warningly. "It's in your blood, too, Wily. Wherever you go there will be something worth snooping after, and you'll find it. Even if you tell yourself you don't want to. Mark my words!"

Wily rented a boat that afternoon. He stocked supplies on it and set out for some uncharted island where he could enjoy complete isolation. It was almost dark when he anchored his boat at a lonely atoll. Bravely, and with a spirit of daring, he cut his way through the

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IT WAS GOLD THAT THEY TREKKED INTO THE DESERT FOR... AND IT WAS THE SAME DREAM OF GOLD THAT KEPT THEM FROM TURNING BACK WHEN THE WIND, SHRIEKING LIKE A THOUSAND BANSHEES, TORE DOWN AT THEM!

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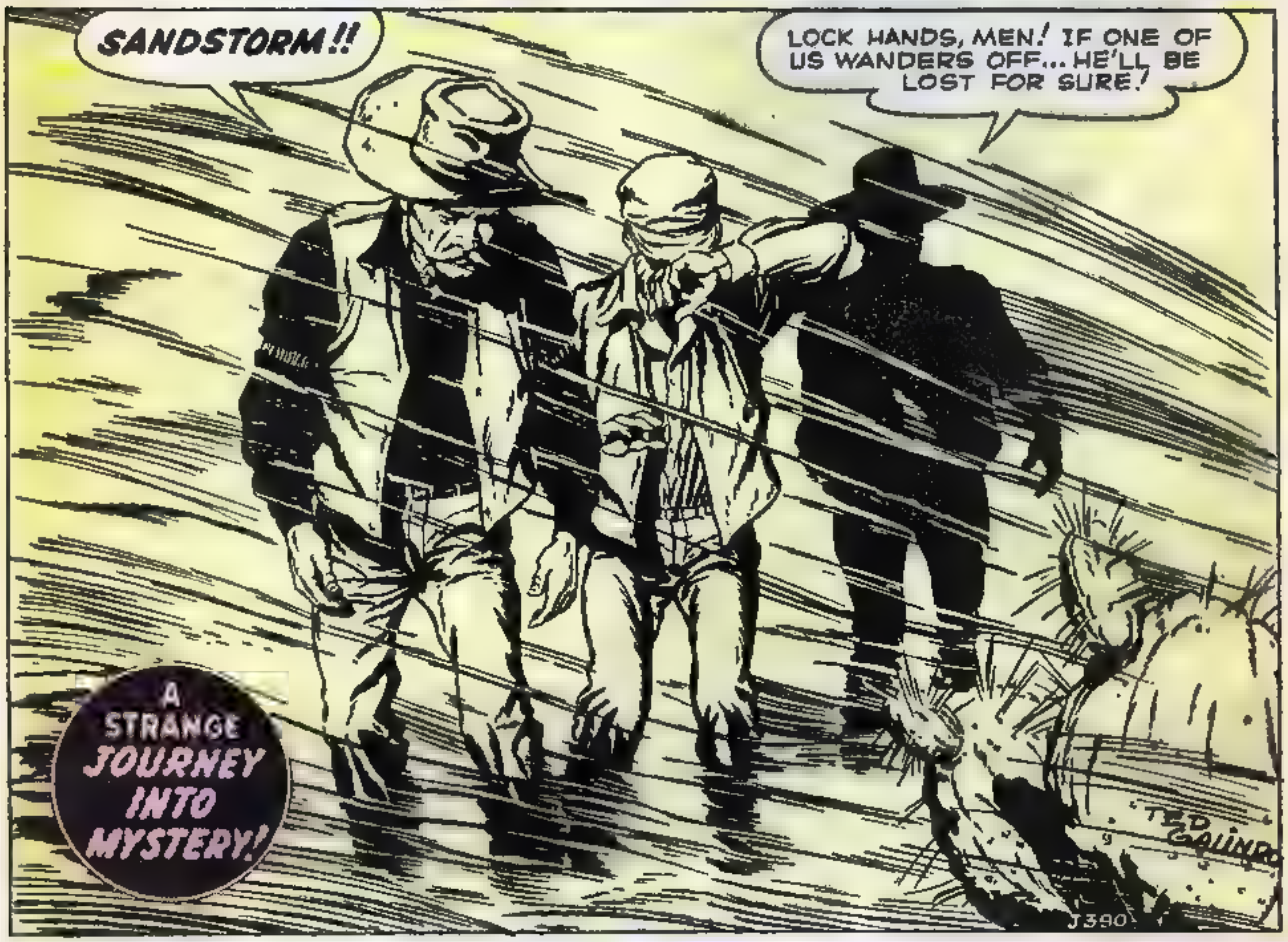
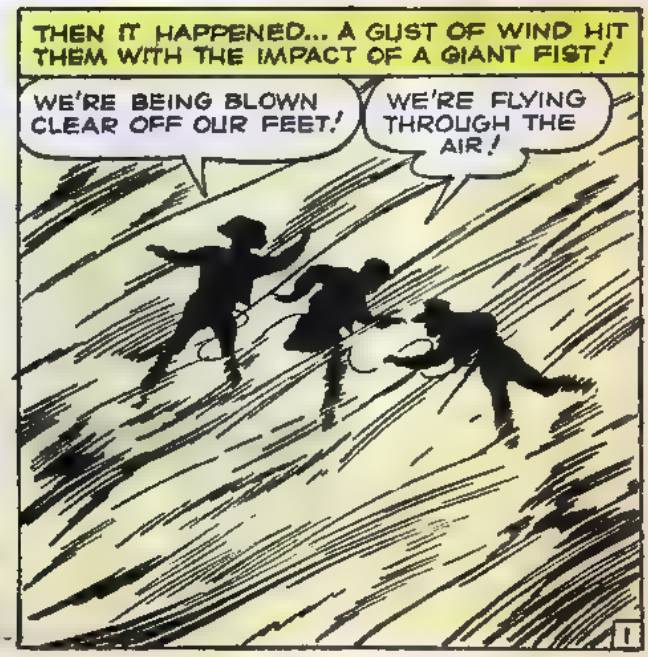


WE'LL DO BETTER THAN THAT! WE'LL TIE OURSELVES TOGETHER!
I'VE BEEN PROSPECTING MORE THAN FORTY YEARS... BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN A WIND LIKE THIS ONE!


THEN IT HAPPENED... A GUST OF WIND HIT THEM WITH THE IMPACT OF A GIANT FIST!
WE'RE BEING BLOWN CLEAR OFF OUR FEET!
WE'RE FLYING THROUGH THE AIR!
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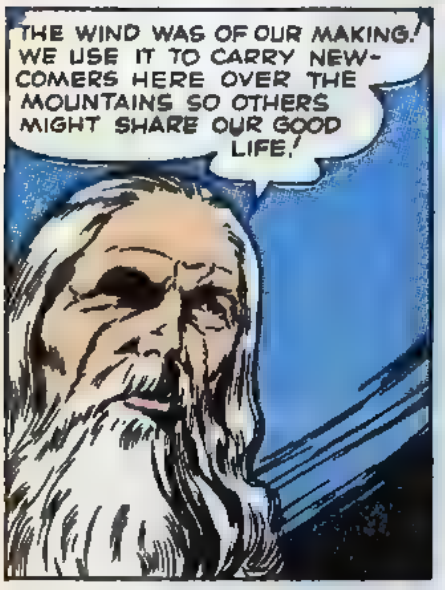
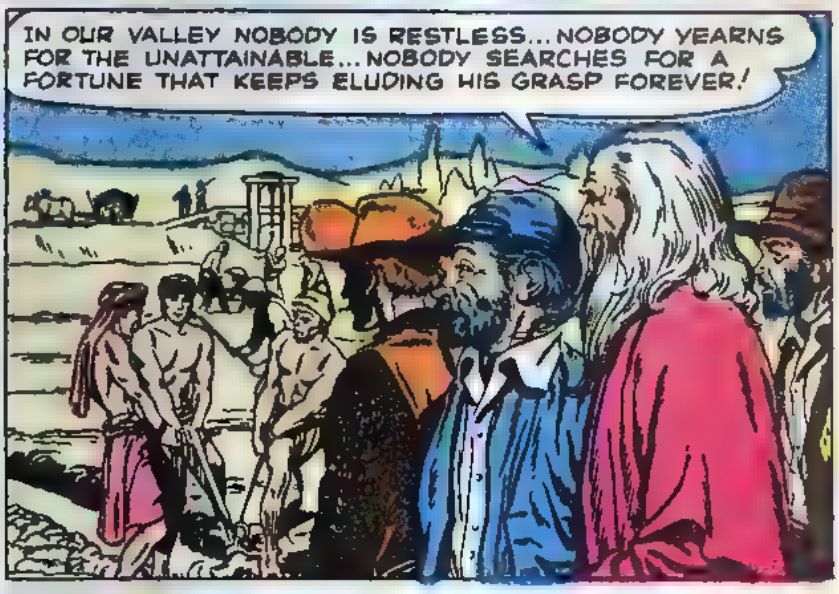
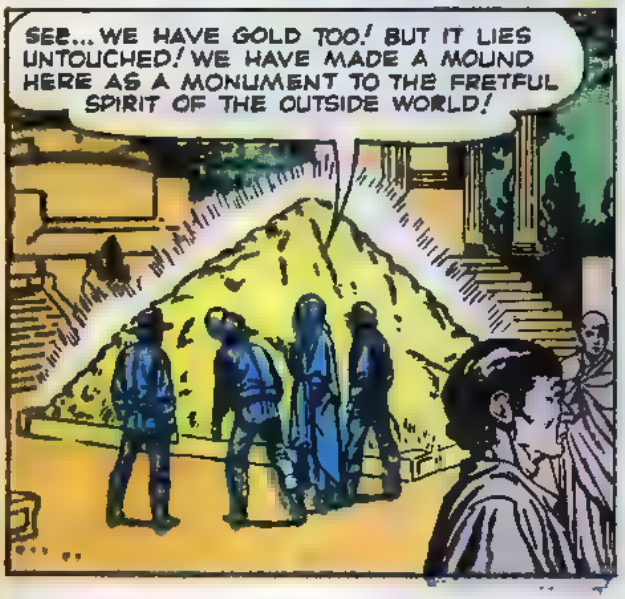
THEY HAD LOST CONSCIOUSNESS ...BUT THEY WERE STILL FLYING!

HOW LONG IT WAS BEFORE THEY NEXT OPENED THEIR EYES, THEY NEVER KNEW!
W-WHERE ARE WE?
WE MUST HAVE COME RIGHT OVER THOSE MOUNTAINS!

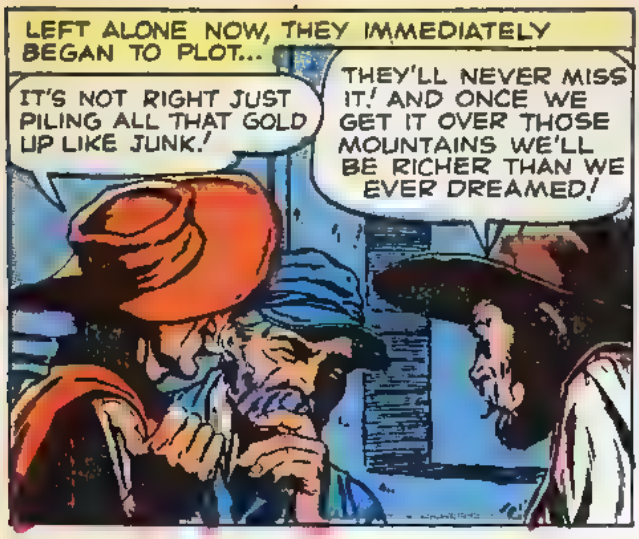
WELCOME TO THE HIDDEN VALLEY WHERE EVERYONE LIVES IN PEACE!

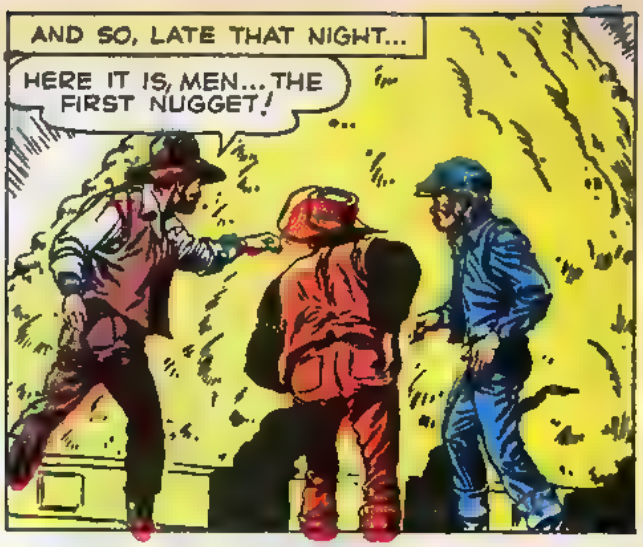

THE WIND WAS OF OUR MAKING! WE USE IT TO CARRY NEW-COMERS HERE OVER THE MOUNTAINS SO OTHERS MIGHT SHARE OUR GOOD LIFE!


IN OUR VALLEY NOBODY IS RESTLESS... NOBODY YEARNS FOR THE UNATTAINABLE... NOBODY SEARCHES FOR A FORTUNE THAT KEEPS ELUDING HIS GRASP FOREVER!


SEE... WE HAVE GOLD TOO! BUT IT LIES UNTOUCHED! WE HAVE MADE A MOUND HERE AS A MONUMENT TO THE FRETFUL SPIRIT OF THE OUTSIDE WORLD!

THE GOLD!
JUST LYING THERE!
NOBODY TOUCHING IT...


LEFT ALONE NOW, THEY IMMEDIATELY BEGAN TO PLOT...
IT'S NOT RIGHT JUST PILING ALL THAT GOLD UP LIKE JUNK!
THEY'LL NEVER MISS IT! AND ONCE WE GET IT OVER THOSE MOUNTAINS WE'LL BE RICHER THAN WE EVER DREAMED!


AND SO, LATE THAT NIGHT...
HERE IT IS, MEN... THE FIRST NUGGET!

JUST THEN A STERN VOICE RANG OUT...
YOU WERE GIVEN THE TEST OF THE TEMPTING GOLD... AND YOU HAVE FAILED! YOUR ATTEMPT TO STEAL PROVES YOU DO NOT DESERVE TO SHARE THE GOOD LIFE HERE!

BOUND TOGETHER AGAIN THEY ARE MARCHED TO A RAISED PLATFORM AND LEFT TO STAND ALONE...
FOR THOSE WHO FAIL... THE PUNISHMENT IS TO LIVE OUT THEIR DAYS REGRETTING THE JOYFUL LIFE HERE THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN THEIRS!

THEY TRIED TO PROTEST BUT THE SHRIEKING WIND DROWNED THEM OUT!
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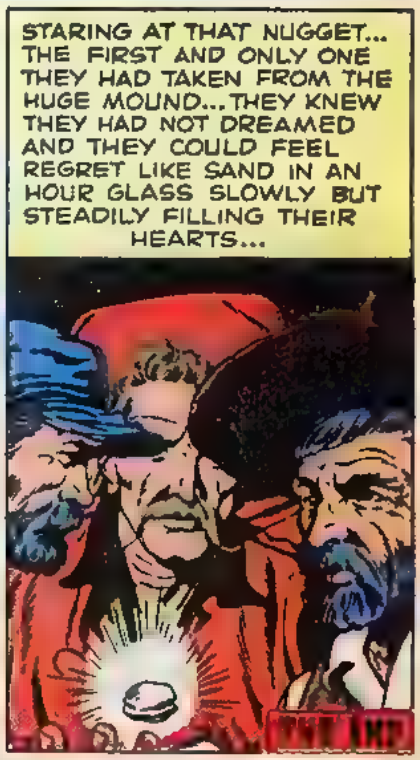
THEY AWAKENED BACK IN THE DESERT... FOR A MOMENT THEY WERE SILENT, REMEMBERING VAGUELY WHAT HAD HAPPENED... BUT DISMISSING IT AS A DREAM! BUT THEN...
OH (GROAN!) NO!


STARING AT THAT NUGGET... THE FIRST AND ONLY ONE THEY HAD TAKEN FROM THE HUGE MOUND... THEY KNEW THEY HAD NOT DREAMED AND THEY COULD FEEL REGRET LIKE SAND IN AN HOUR GLASS SLOWLY BUT STEADILY FILLING THEIR HEARTS...

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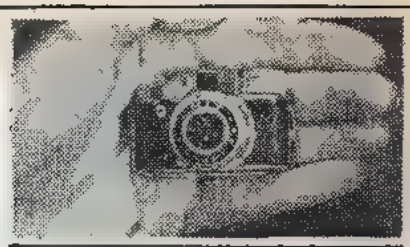

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tangled underbrush and pitched a bunk beneath the towering trees.

He lay down to sleep with a smile and a snore. But in the black of night he was awakened by strange voices.

"Get a load of that loot, Jack. We're rich!"

"Get your hands up. This stuff is mine, Buddy. I'm not sharing it with no one."

"Please, Jack! Spare my life. I robbed these jewels, didn't I?"

Wily Trenchcoat's eyes snapped open like sprung window-shades. Every part of him was alert to the foul play going on. Then, he rebelled. Why should he interfere with what was none of his business? Let the bad guys call Freddy Few to settle the argument. But suddenly he felt something sharp against his head. He sat up with a start to discover that his toupee was *gone!*

The first thing that tore through his mind was that there must be wild savages on the island. A bolt of lightning speared him into action. It wasn't bad enough that there were thieves at each other's throats here, but he had to contend with the larceny of a savage tribe who were out to pirate his crowning glory!

Stealthily, he made his way back to the boat. He knew better than to strike a match and spotlight himself. There was no way of knowing where the attack might come from . . . the desperadoes or the savages. And then he heard, "Get that guy! Let him have it!"

Abandoning caution to the winds, Wily Trenchcoat plunged into the water and swam for the boat . . . a picturesque figure with his white woolen nightshirt bobbing across the waves.

Wily was full of purpose. He triggered the boat to machine-gun speed back toward the island and Freddy Few. He sacrificed his clothes and other belongings, but with stubborn determination he knew that soon he would return to the island with reinforcements. The robbers would be captured (if the savages hadn't taken them in tow already). But victory would be on Justice's side, for Wily had a bitter score to settle aside from sabotaging the thieves. Wily had his toupee to

get back. And the thought that the tribesmen might already have tied it to some tall stake as a prized trophy was enough to make the hair on Wily's head stand on end (two strands were still home-grown).

Freddy Few was at his desk, his trusty magnifying glass poised above a newspaper. (He was nearsighted.) Wily Trenchcoat sloshed into the room, saturated from stem to stern. The humidity fogged Few's magnifying glass.

"Been swimming?" Few asked drily. "How's the water?"

"Splashing! Just splashing!" Wily quipped. "Get me a detail of men with salt-water in their veins and I'll navigate the way to an island where two brazen criminals are just waiting to be hooked for a spectacular jewel robbery. We'll be up against savages, I might as well warn you, but I cannot escape my duty. Let's go!"

"Impossible!" Few erupted like a volcano. "These islands aren't inhabited! You *couldn't* have seen anyone!"

"I tell you I *heard* them," Wily gargled, splashing up and down the room.

"I think I know the island you mean," said Few. His eyes glinted in amusement. "I'll bet you the island is uninhabited. If I'm wrong I'll give you my badge, but if you're wrong, you've got to help me solve the case I told you about."

Wily agreed, and they set out for the island. They walked ashore just as the dawn cracked open and dumped the sun into the sky like a golden egg yolk.

Wily peered ahead anxiously, and the sight he saw flushed his cheeks with shame. The entire island was peppered with *parrots!*

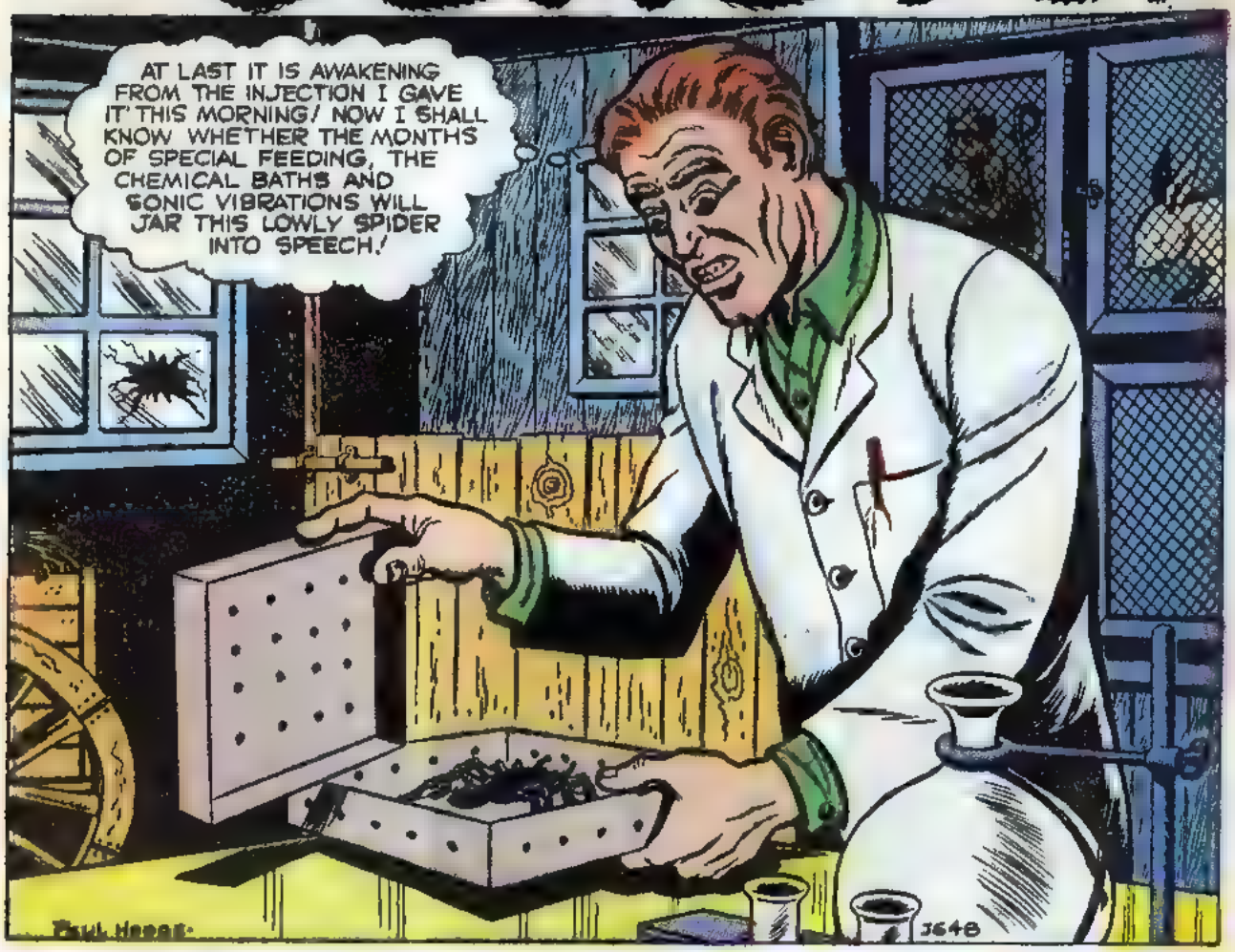
"This is Parrot Island," Few explained. "A movie company filmed a Whoduit story here some months ago, and the parrots picked up the lingo of the bad men you heard. What's more, the parrots are partial to furry objects . . . your toupee for instance."

Sure enough, two young parrots were sweetly nesting in Wily's toupee! Magnanimously, he left it for them, then doggedly returned with Few to help him solve the new mystery!

THE END J-724

COULD HE REALLY MAKE ANIMALS AND INSECTS SPEAK? PROFESSOR MARTIN HENSLOWE SHOULD KNOW! AFTER ALL, HE HAD SPENT TWENTY YEARS OF RESEARCH ON THIS PROJECT! BUT COULD HE MAKE THE WORLD BELIEVE HIS FINDINGS?

the BEASTS!


AT LAST IT IS AWAKENING FROM THE INJECTION I GAVE IT THIS MORNING! NOW I SHALL KNOW WHETHER THE MONTHS OF SPECIAL FEEDING, THE CHEMICAL BATHS AND SONIC VIBRATIONS WILL JAR THIS LOWLY SPIDER INTO SPEECH!
PAUL HORGAN
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TWENTY YEARS AGO THEY ASKED FOR PROOF AT THE UNIVERSITY! TOMORROW I SHALL SHOW THEM! THIS LOWLY INSECT'S VOICE CANNOT BE DISPUTED!
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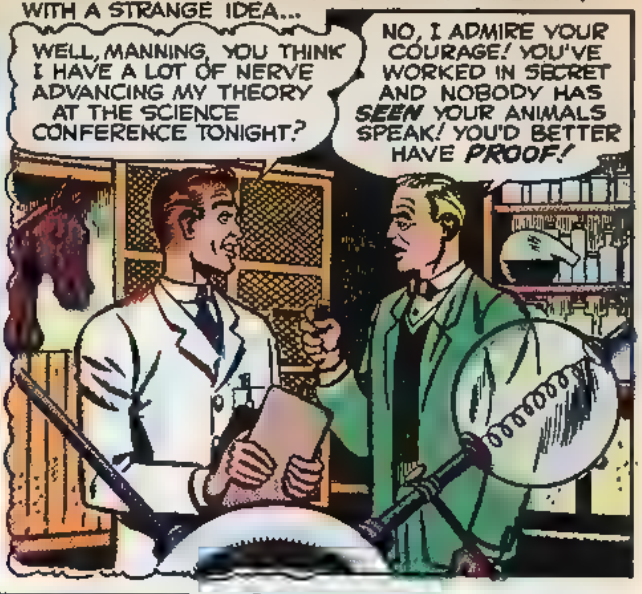
ANYONE LOOKING THROUGH THE WINDOW OF THE RAMSHACKLE BARN WOULD HAVE THOUGHT PROFESSOR HENSLOWE WAS MAD...

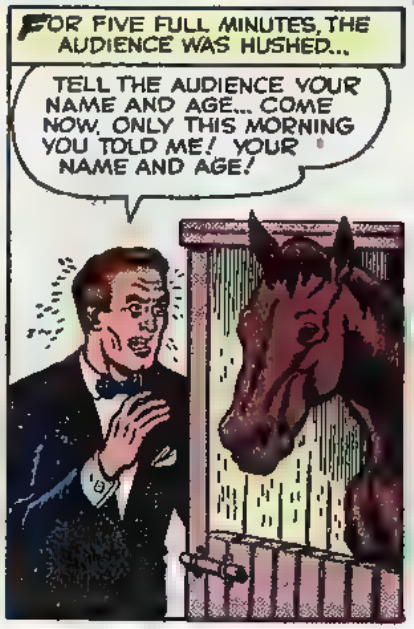
TWENTY YEARS AGO, PROFESSOR HENSLOWE WAS A RESPECTED SCIENTIST AT BALMORE UNIVERSITY, WITH A STRANGE IDEA...


WELL, MANNING, YOU THINK I HAVE A LOT OF NERVE ADVANCING MY THEORY AT THE SCIENCE CONFERENCE TONIGHT?
NO, I ADMIRE YOUR COURAGE! YOU'VE WORKED IN SECRET AND NOBODY HAS SEEN YOUR ANIMALS SPEAK! YOU'D BETTER HAVE PROOF!

THAT NIGHT, AT THE BALMORE SCIENCE AMPHITHEATRE...

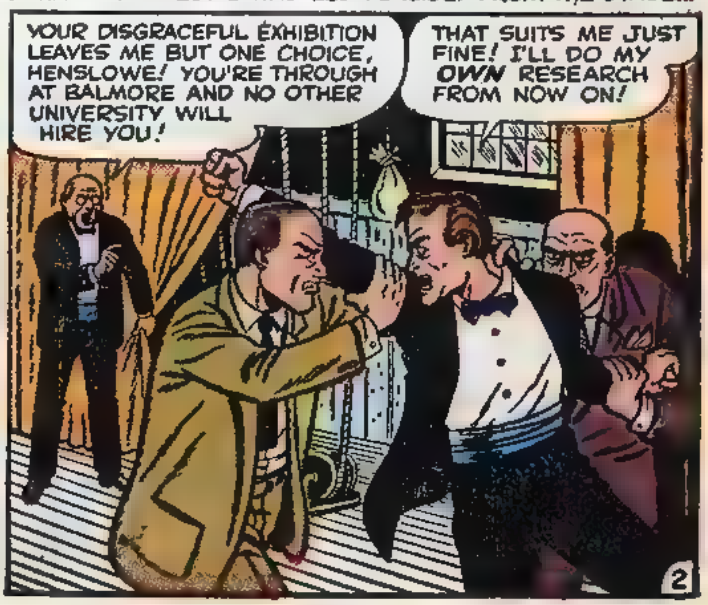
I'VE FINISHED EXPOUNDING MY THEORY AND NOW THE RESULTS OF MY EXPERIMENTS! I AM GOING TO MAKE THIS HORSE SPEAK!
INCREDIBLE! HE CAN'T DO IT!

FOR FIVE FULL MINUTES, THE AUDIENCE WAS HUSHED...



THEN THE STORM BROKE LOOSE...

FINALLY HENSLOWE WAS LED FORCIBLY FROM THE STAGE...


YOUR DISGRACEFUL EXHIBITION LEAVES ME BUT ONE CHOICE, HENSLOWE! YOU'RE THROUGH AT BALMORE AND NO OTHER UNIVERSITY WILL HIRE YOU!
THAT SUITS ME JUST FINE! I'LL DO MY OWN RESEARCH FROM NOW ON!

AND THAT'S HOW PROFESSOR HENSLOWE CAME TO RURAL SAYVILLE, THE POOREST, MOST BACKWARD AREA IN THE STATE...
WHAT'CHA GONNA RAISE HERE, STRANGER? YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE A FARMER!
I'M A SCIENTIST AND I DON'T WISH TO BE DISTURBED! IS THAT UNDERSTOOD?
FOR YEARS, HENSLOWE WAS LEFT IN PEACE, WORKING HIMSELF TO THE POINT OF EXHAUSTION..
THIS SPECIAL MASH SHOULD WORK! YESTERDAY I TESTED THE COWS AND THEIR VOWE. SOUNDS WERE AS CLEAR AS ANY HUMANS!
FROM TIME TO TIME CURIOUS VISITORS POKED AROUND THE FARM AND THREW STONES AT THE WINDOWS! BUT ONE DAY...
DON'T DO THAT! PROFESSOR HENSLOWE IS A VERY KIND MAN!
LEN... DID YOU HEAR THAT?
LET'S RUN FOR IT, JOE!
THE COUNTRY FOLK WERE DISMAYED BY SIMILAR INCIDENTS..
DON'T BEAT THAT HORSE! HE'S TOO OLD TO PULL A LOAD THAT SIZE!
WHAT! IT'S THAT HORSE OF HENSLOWE'S!
WE JUST GOTTA DO SOMETHIN' ABOUT IT!
THE VERY NIGHT OF HENSLOWE'S INCREDIBLE SUCCESS WITH THE SPIDER, A SMALL GROUP OF FARMERS WAS PASSING BY, WHEN ..
LOOK! SMOKE COMIN' FROM HENSLOWE'S BARN!
WE BETTER HURRY AND WARN HIM!
FIRE! THE OIL LANTERN TURNED OVER! ALL MY WORK WILL BE DESTROYED! I MUST GET MY SPIDER OUT!
A CRUMBLING WALL OPENED AN ESCAPE GAP AND HENSLOWE FLED.
NOW I CAN RETURN TO THE UNIVERSITY AND SHOW THEM MY GREATEST PRIZE...ALL I HAVE OF 20 YEARS OF RESEARCH!
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EARLY THE NEXT MORNING...
OF COURSE I REMEMBER YOU, HENSLOWE! COME INTO MY OFFICE! I'M THE NEW CHIEF OF THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT!
I HAVE SO MUCH TO TELL YOU!
YOU NEVER WROTE IN TWENTY YEARS! WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING?
I'VE CARRIED ON MY RESEARCH IN REPRODUCING HUMAN SPEECH IN ANIMALS WITH GREAT SUCCESS! I'VE EVEN GONE A STEP FURTHER THAN THAT!
I KNOW IT SOUNDS FANTASTIC, BUT IT'S TRUE! AND THIS TIME I HAVE ABSOLUTE PROOF! LET ME SHOW YOU...
NO! DON'T TOUCH MY SPIDER!
WHACK!
BIGGEST, UGLIEST SPIDER I EVER DID SEE! WHY...WHAT'S THE MATTER?
HENSLOWE... YOU LOOK ILL! WHAT HAPPENED?
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PROFESSOR HENSLOWE! WHERE ARE YOU GOING? COME BACK!
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